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Page 1, replace the first paragraph with:

This is a continuation ~~divisional~~ of application Serial No. 09/214,465, filed January 5, 1999, now ~~pending~~ U.S. Patent 6,743,620; which is a national-stage application filed under 35 U.S.C. 371 of Int'l Appln. No. PCT/JP97/04592, filed December 12, 1997, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.